

City of Duluth
Commission on Disabilities
Meeting Minutes
March 6, 2013

Melissa Booth	P	Amber Madoll	P
Clara Borrell	A	Francis McGee	E
Roberta Cich	A	Beverly Strongitharm	P
Erica Erickson	P	Karin Swor	P
Sister Mary Carla Flood	P	Randall Vogt	E
Derek Uttley	P	Ray Kleveter	E
Gerald Salveson	P	Bob Grytdahl-Staff	P

Roll Call

1. Approval of February Minutes & Current Agenda

February minutes approved as written. Current agenda approved as amended.

2. Signage Requests

- a. 1528 E. 4th Street - Erica Erickson will visit the residence.
- b. 411 N. 26th Ave. W. #3 - Erica Erickson will visit the residence.

3. Action and Advocacy Reports

- a. Taxi Task Force - The meeting was postponed until March 20th. One member stepped down from the task force. Amber Madoll suggested that we add another person to the task force due to different availabilities of members.
- b. Accessibility Code - Bob Grytdahl is going to the NH ADA symposium in May. He is hoping to find out what other communities are doing regarding ADA regulations for recreational facilities. He has researched the Minneapolis protocol and learned that if it involves a Title 3 issue, they are advised to talk to the Department of Justice.

Bob explained that the standard for Title 3 is “readily achievable.” Anything within the scope of a permit has to fall within ADA regulations. He will invite the Building Official to the next meeting.

- c. Parks and Recreation - Erica reported there is discussion for the creation of new dog parks and allowing dogs on certain park trails for off leash dogs, and a permit would be required for this. There was also discussion of adding benches that face the dog park.

4. Review of Past Year’s Activities

Melissa Booth presented a draft of the 2012 Year End Report. The Commission reviewed and offered suggestions. Melissa will send the final copy to Erica. Gerald Salveson volunteered to present the year end report to the City Council. It was also suggested that the Commission ask for time from the City Council to present at a committee of the whole meeting. Erica will look into this.

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5. Strategic Planning 2013

The commission discussed our goals for 2013. Melissa will type the goals and bring to the next meeting.

6. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

7. Other Business

Derek Uttley announced that the Disabled American Veterans State Conference will be May 2-4 in Duluth at the Holiday Inn.

8. Announcements

There were no announcements.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Booth
Secretary

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